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Sir:

Responsive to the Non-Final Official Action dated May 29, 2008, applicants

respectfully request reconsideration in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.